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In re the Application of:

MASAAKI OKA

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For: IMAGE PROCESSOR AND  
METHOD, COMPUTER  
PROGRAM, AND RECORDING  
MEDIUM

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Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Prior to the examination of the above-identified application, please amend the application as follows:

Any fee not covered by a check accompanying this paper and necessary for consideration of this Preliminary Amendment response may be charged to Deposit Account Number 03-3975.

**Amendments to the Specification:** begin on page 2 of this paper .

**Amendments to the Claims:** reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings:** begin on page 16 of this paper and include an attached replacement drawing sheet for Fig. 13.

**Remarks:** begin on page 17 of this paper.